

**THE HONORABLE ERIC T. WASHINGTON**  
**CHIEF JUDGE**  
**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS**

Chief Judge Eric T. Washington was appointed to the D.C. Court of Appeals in 1999 by President William Jefferson Clinton. The District of Columbia Judicial Nominations Commission designated Chief Judge Washington to serve a four-year term as Chief Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals beginning on August 6, 2005.

Chief Judge Washington was born and raised in New Jersey. He graduated in 1976 from Tufts University and received his law degree from the Columbia University School of Law in 1979.

In 1979, Chief Judge Washington began his legal career with the law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski in Houston, Texas, where he engaged in a general labor and employment practice prior to relocating to Washington, D.C. to serve as Legislative Director and Counsel to U.S. Congressman Michael A. Andrews of Texas. He subsequently rejoined Fulbright & Jaworski in Washington, D.C. prior to serving as Special Counsel to the Corporation Counsel (now Attorney General for the District of Columbia) and later as Principal Deputy Corporation Counsel between 1987 and 1989.

From January 1990 to May 1995, Chief Judge Washington was a partner in the law firm of Hogan & Hartson, which concluded with his 1995 appointment to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. As an Associate Judge in the Superior Court, he presided over various criminal trials as well as cases from the Drug Court, Domestic Violence Unit, tax and probate matters on certification from other judges, and cases involving children who were victims of abuse and neglect.

Chief Judge Washington previously served as co-chair of the Strategic Planning Leadership Council for the District of Columbia Courts and as a member of the Standing Committee on Fairness and Access to the Courts, as well as the Access to Justice Commission.

Chief Judge Washington has been active in many professional, civic and charitable organizations. He has served on several committees of the D.C. Bar, including the Criminal Justice Act/Counsel for Child Abuse and Neglect Committee, the Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, and the Bar's Nominating Committee. He also served as a member of the Steering Committee for the D.C. Affairs Sections of the Bar. Chief Judge Washington presently serves on the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington and the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Clubs Foundation. He formerly served on the Board of Directors for the Einstein Institute for Science, Health and the Courts and currently serves as chair of the Board of Directors of the Advanced Science and Technology Adjudication Standards, Credential and Accreditation Board.

